



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah Gilg announces the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

On October 9, 2009, Thomas David Borrego was sentenced in the United States District Court by the Honorable Lyle E. Strom, Senior United States District Judge, to 121 months imprisonment following his conviction for conspiracy to distribute and possess with the intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine. The conviction is the result of cooperation with the Otoe County Attorney's Office and the culmination of a joint investigation conducted by the Southeast Area Drug Enforcement (SEADE) Drug Task Force, the Otoe County Sheriff's Office, the Nebraska City Police Department and the Nebraska State Patrol Headquarters Drug Unit.

Name of Defendant: Thomas David Borrego

AKA: N/A

Age: 44

City of residence: Nebraska City

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, and salts of its isomers, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1) and Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(b)(1).

Potential Penalty - 10 years to life imprisonment, up to a \$4,000,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, not less than 5 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Nebraska City/ Otoe County area.

Location of Arrest: Nebraska City

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: 43 ounces of a mixture of a substance containing methamphetamine.

Others Charged in Same Scheme: No.

Relevant Dates: beginning as early as May 2008 and continuing at least through a controlled buy on February 26, 2009.

Date of Alleged Crime: As above.

Federal Arrest Date: April 27, 2009

Date Complaint Issued: n/a

Indictment Returned Date: April 22, 2009.

Initial Appearance Date: May 5, 2009.

Plea Date: July 22, 2009.

Sentencing Date: October 9, 2009.

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable F.A. Gossett III

Held without Bond: Yes.

In Continuous Custody Since: April 27, 2009

Assigned District Court Judge: The Honorable Lyle E. Strom

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